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Ohio Democratic Ticket.

For Governor,
JOHN R. McLEAN,
of Hamilton.

For Lieutenant Governor,
A. W. PATRICK,
of Tuscarawas.

For Supreme Judge,
DEWITT C. BADGER,
of Madison.

For Attorney General,
J. W. DORR,
of Seneca.

For Auditor,
GEORGE W. SIGAFOOS,
of Darke.

For Treasurer,
JAMES I. GORMAN,
of Lawrence.

For Member of Board of Public Works,
FLETCHER D. MALIN,
of Lake.

Democratic District Ticket.

For State Senator from the 24th-26th
District,
EDWARD M. YOUNG,
of Summit.

Democratic County Ticket.

For Representative,
CHAS. W. KEMPEL,
of Franklin.

For Probate Judge,
ISAAC H. PHELPS,
of Franklin.

For Clerk of Courts,
WM. A. DURAND,
of Franklin.

For Recorder,
MICHAEL REILLY,
of Franklin.

For Commissioner,
JACOB D. BREITENSTEIN,
of Franklin.

For Infirmary Director,
BURTON L. SANFORD,
of Franklin.

DEMOCRATIC LAND APPRAISERS.

Akron.

First ward—J. K. SIMMONS.

Second ward—WM. NELAN.

Third ward—GEO. E. SCHAFER.

Fourth ward—CHRIS. LAMBACHER.

Fifth ward—V. A. CLARK.

Sixth ward—JOHN D. CAMPBELL.

Townships.

Boston—JAS. SULLIVAN.

Copley—S. S. BROTHERICK.

Covington—J. L. PORTER.

Cuyahoga Falls—M. M. McLANE.

Franklin—JOHN DEUTSCH.

Green—WM. KRUMHOLTZ.

Hudson—A. L. SHIELDS.

Northampton—WM. MOTZ.

Northfield—GEO. W. FORBES.

Norton—GEO. SYDER.

Portage—J. W. FRANK.

Springfield—B. M. BOYER.

Stow—H. B. GRAHAM.

Tallmadge—THOS. F. METLIN.

Twinburg—A. J. BROWN.

HOW TO BREAK THE TRUSTS.

Attorney General Monnett thought

the Anti-Trust platform adopted by

his party convention meant something,

but he found out his mistake when

he was virtually kicked out of the

Hanna convention at Columbus.

Senator Alexander, unfortunately for

himself, made the same mistake of

misjudging the attitude of his party

in regard to reducing the exorbitant

salaries of county officers, but it was

not until he had been rudely turned

down both at the Columbus and

Painesville conventions that he

could believe that he was not to be

supported by his party.

If the rank and file of the Republi-

can party, the men who admire

courage and integrity in their public

officials, had had any voice in their

party's conventions, Attorney Gen-

eral Monnett and Senator Alexander

would have been commended for

their good work instead of suffering

vote to break up the Trust that has

taken control of their party's affairs

and patronage—state and local.

Summit county's Republican vot-

ers can take a long step toward this

end by supporting the Democratic

county ticket.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

Judge G. M. Anderson, who is ask-

ing the voters of Summit county to

give him another three years' lease

upon the office of Probate Judge, has

by his own act made himself respon-

sible for what his proxies upon the

Board of City Commissioners have

undertaken against the interests of

the citizens of Akron.

It was Judge Anderson who intro-

duced the proxy system into Akron,

retiring men of independence from

the Board of Commissioners to make

room for those who would do the

bidding of the local Republican

Machine and of the corporations

which sought favors at his hands. It

was Judge Anderson who was

responsible for the vacillating policy

of a majority of the City Commis-

sioners throughout the fight of the

Citizens' Committee against the

local Telephone Monopoly.

It will be remembered that the

City Commissioners, a few months

ago, directed Akron's Solicitor—and

employed an able lawyer of Cleve-

land at a large expense to assist the

Solicitor—to begin proceedings in

court to test the validity of the

franchise which was railroaded

through the Council by the

Telephone Monopoly. After the suit

had been begun, incurring a large

expense to the taxpayers, three of

the City Commissioners signed an

affidavit, at the request of the Tele-

phone company's attorneys, which

affidavits in effect were an undoing

of all that the City was trying to

accomplish in its suit against the

Telephone company.

Who influenced the Commissioners

to this action?

Every member of the Citizens'

Committee knows.

Having set himself up as a dictator

of Akron, through the City Commis-

sioners, Judge Anderson must

answer to the people at the polls for

every act against the public interests

to which the City Commissioners

have been party.

DEFEAT THE MEDDLERS.

The magnificent new Hamilton

building, now in course of erection at

the corner of Mill and Main streets,

which will be the home of Akron's

new Telephone Company, is a monu-

ment to the energy and public spirit

of the Akron's Citizen Committee of

Fifty.

Had this Committee never been

organized, the telephone monopoly

would be charging the people any

rate for service that it pleased, and

the Hamilton building would not

have been built for years to come.

While Senator Alexander, Judge

Stuart, and the independent citizens

who composed the Citizens' Commis-

sioners were working night and day

GOVERNOR EDGERTON

AND

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The following unsolicited tribute to the venerable

Governor Sidney Edgerton of Akron is paid him by the

Great Falls (Montana) Tribune. Contrast it, if you

please, with the attack so brutally made upon him by

the Dubson paper two weeks ago, because he had

announced his enduring faith in Lincoln Republicanism.

at Assembly hall:

The old-timers in Montana know and respect ex-

Governor Sidney Edgerton of Akron, Ohio. He was

chief justice of the territory of Idaho when Idaho

comprised Montana. When the territory of Montana

was organized he was its first governor, holding his com-

mission from the hands of Abraham Lincoln, whose personal

friend and strong supporter he was. He was one of the

fathers of the Republican party, watching over its in-

fantasy, sharing in its struggles, triumphing in its suc-

cesses was complete. He is an old man now, though still

enjoying health and intellectual vigor. He is one of the

very few prominent personal friends and co-laborers of

Lincoln who have not yet joined the silent majority. For

more than forty years he has been a staunch Republican

It takes a most convincing and serious cause for a man of

ex-Governor Edgerton's age and experience to wrench

himself from party associates of a life time and repudi-

ate the party whose hopes and fears and triumphs he

has shared and whose honors he has worn. That is what

the stern and uncompromising old statesman has just

done in Ohio. His action will be peculiarly interesting

to many people in Great Falls, because some ten years

ago he visited Great Falls and became acquainted with

many of our leading citizens here. He has a daughter

living here, and a niece teaching in our public schools.

He is also related to ex-Senator Sanders of Helena.

Governor Edgerton has met with no change of heart.

It is not strictly correct to allude to him as a convert to

the Democratic party. Or if he technically correct it

carries a very wrong impression. Men of his age and

experience seldom change their principles. Governor

Edgerton still holds to the political principles of Lincoln,

but to his sorrow he finds that the Republican party has

wandered far from them and at the same time he finds

the same living truths expressed in the new Democracy

of Bryan. He sets forth these ideas in reply to an in-

itation sent him to be present and act as chairman of a

Democratic campaign meeting held in Akron, Ohio.

He says:

"I am glad to be given the opportunity of rais-

ing my voice in denunciation of Hannaism and

the corrupt party which Hanna owns and con-

trols. I helped to organize that party, but I fear

that my days shall be numbered upon this earth

before that party returns to advocating the cause

of the common people, whose support was the

strength of its early days."

Nothing is more striking, as measuring the length

and breadth of the gulf between the doctrines and sen-

timents of Lincoln and modern Republicanism than

the fact that William J. Bryan quotes from Lincoln again

and again in support of his political principles, while a

great Chicago daily which enjoys the reputation of be-

ing President McKinley's own personal organ, under-

took the other day to apologize for Lincoln's sentiments

on the Mexican war, on the ground that at the time he

uttered them he was lacking in sense and experience,

and made a fool of himself. You never hear a Republi-

can orator these days quoting Lincoln. His sentiments

do not lend themselves to present Republican politics.

They do support Democratic policies, and furnish bright

and keen weapons of offense against McKinley-Hanna-

ism.

Governor Edgerton is right when he says in the days

of Lincoln the cause of the common people was

the cause of Republicanism, and it found its chief support

among them. He is equally right when he intimates

that today it is the cause of the wealthy classes, the

great monopolies, the illegal and law-defying trusts, and

finds its chief support among these classes and those

paign. He is considered good

enough to fix dates for meetings,

assign speakers, and make personal

efforts to bring disaffected Republi-

cans back into line, but the real

work of the campaign is carried on

by the candidates for county offices

through their private machines. Such

a condition must be very repugnant

to a gentleman of Judge Stuart's

political experience and qualifica-

tions. If the ticket is defeated, a

likelihood of which the candidates

are very apprehensive, the whole

blame will be shouldered upon Judge

Stuart. This is the way of politics

as administered by the Office Hold-

ers' Trust.

It costs a great deal of money for

candidates for county offices to main-

tain machines of their own, inde-

pendent of the regular organization

of their party. Where do the

thousands of dollars which Probate

Judge Anderson and Clerk Hershey

are spending upon their private

machines to effect their re-election

come from? Senator Alexander

could tell if he would. He would say

that the defeat of the Russell salary

bill enabled these officials to ac-

cumulate their enormous cam-

paign fund at the expense of the

people. Every taxpayer of Summit